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1 2015 Heritage Square Museum Annual Meeting of Members 3/25

Wed Feb 25, 2015 9:30 pm (PST) . Posted by: asncalert

Hello Members.

The Annual Meeting of Members of The Cultural Heritage Foundation will be held on Wednesday, March 25th at 5:30 pm in the Perry House.

Heritage Square Museum Board of Directors

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## 2 Women's Club Centennial Celebration Saturday - SPEAKEASY

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- \* Sat, Feb 28, 6:00 PM 10:00 PM
- \* 5105 Hermosa Avenue (Corner of Colorado Blvd) L.A. CA 90041
- \* WOMEN'S TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB OF EAGLE ROCK CLUBHOUSE TURNS 100 this FEBRUARY

The founding ladies received the keys to the newly built clubhouse in February of 1915, located at the corner of Hermosa and Colorado Blvd. To honor them and move toward the future, the board and members are throwing a big party.

It's a fundraiser to help with the restoration and that goes with preserving a 100 year old structure. Generations of community members have utilized the clubhouse hosting their most special events. Many elected officials and community groups hold their public meetings at the Clubhouse. Thousands of people continue to enjoy the clubhouse each year.

A SPEAKEASY themed Gala on Saturday, February 28, 2015 6pm-10pm Live Music for Dancing provided by the Eric Ekstrand Band.

Special Guest Appearance by International Chanteuse, Morganne!

Hors d'oeuvres by Four Café

No Host Bar by Colombo's

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Tickets can be purchased online, admission held at the door.

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# PRESS RELEASE - HHPNC LAUNCHES REDESIGNED WEBSITE - NEW SITE OFFERS

Wed Feb 25, 2015 9:30 pm (PST) . Posted by:asncalert

PRESS RELEASE
For Immediate Release
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THE HISTORIC HIGHLAND PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LAUNCHES REDESIGNED WEBSITE

NEW SITE OFFERS TRANSLATION IN OVER 50 LANGUAGES

February 25, 2015 (Los Angeles, CA) – The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council (HHPNC) announced today the launch of its redesigned website (http://www.highlandparknc.com). The new site not only offers translation in Spanish but it is offered in over 50 different languages.

The updated site features a more responsive design than its predecessor; it is now desktop, mobile and tablet friendly. All of the HHPNC's social media has also been integrated into this redesigned site, which includes Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

"The goal of the HHPNC is to empower our community, to basically be its voice. It was important for this new site to provide information to our stakeholders in whatever language they speak", said Monica Alcaraz, President of the HHPNC. She went on to say "This new site will give us a greater ability to inform, engage and ultimately empower our community."

Other features of the site include links to local resources including the history of Highland Park, city council offices, emergency services. Agendas and minutes of meetings are now readily accessible, as

well as up to date council budgets, a community calendar and photos.

With this new website also comes a new Digital and Social Media Committee, whose goal is to keep the site relevant and informative. Please send feedback and any suggestions on the website to SuzAnn Brantner, chair of the Digital and Social Media Committee: suzann.brantner@highlandparknc.com.

About the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council (HHPNC)

The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council is made up of volunteers, who live, work, own property, or otherwise express an interest, a "stake," in the neighborhood. They are elected by the neighborhood, and work with their neighbors to improve, and beautify their part of the City, as well as create a bridge to elected officials. The HHPNC was established in 2002. The current Board size is 19 members. The HHPNC is subject to rules and laws governing the City. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) oversees the Neighborhood Council.

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### 4a Treasure It Together: Southwest Museum Site

Wed Feb 25, 2015 9:30 pm (PST) . Posted by: asncalert

It's Time We Had a Talk...

Posted: 25 Feb 2015 10:16 AM PST written by Chris Morris, Project Manager En Espanol

The last few weeks have been frantic with oodles of scheduling and coordination, but we're ready to kick off the stakeholder interviews at 8 a.m. on Thursday Feb. 26th! We received over 100 names for stakeholders from many groups and individuals. Thank you to everyone who contacted us with suggestions.

Over the last 2 weeks we've reached out to every individual or organization that was recommended to us, requesting their participation in the one-one-one and small group interviews that Amy Webb and I

will be conducting Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26-28.

The response to our requests was incredibly positive — 79 people said they wanted to be interviewed, and 68 of them will join us at the LA River Center and Gardens to share their perspective on the Southwest Museum site and tell us their ideas for how it can have a sustainable future. For those stakeholders who can't participate this week, we'll conduct more interviews in the coming weeks either in person, over the phone, or via email. We're doing everything we can to capture the ideas and recommendations of as many stakeholders as possible.

The questions we're asking the stakeholders are focused, which helps us efficiently gather and assess data from a large number of people on a few key topics. This give us the baseline information we need to identify and understand the most common issues, concerns, and opportunities around the Southwest Museum site. We also will ask stakeholders to share specific recommendations they might have for potential partners or funders, as well as their thoughts on who might be good Steering Committee candidates.

The data that we gather during the interviews will be carefully analyzed and the key findings summarized by Amy Webb in a report that will be posted on this website. But all of the interview information will remain anonymous so that interviewees feel free to give us their honest opinions. If we wish to attribute specific comments or quotes in the summary report, we will obtain permission from the stakeholder first.

A special thanks to Mark Kenyon and North East Tress for generously offering us space at the LA River Center Arts Studio for 3 days to hold the interviews, and to Tim Brick and the staff of the Arroyo Seco Foundation for allowing us to crash their offices this Thursday through Saturday. We greatly appreciate their generosity and their contribution to the project!

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## 5 LA-32 NC Special Meeting of the Executive Committee Thursday Februar

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Special Meeting of the Executive Committee
Thursday February 26, 2015 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
CD14 Office (Councilman Huizar's Office)
4927 Huntington Drive North, Suite 100, Los Angeles CA 90032

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order Roll Call
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public Comments Comments from the public on non-agenda items. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker.
- 4. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes from Executive Committee meeting held on January 21, 2015.
- 5. Discussion and possible action creating the agenda for the March 4, 2015, Regular Meeting of the General Board. The Executive Committee will discuss and create the items that will be listed for the board's March 4, 2015 meeting.
- 6. Adjourn

The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two occasions, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and take action. If the motion to reconsider and action is to be scheduled at the next regular meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1)

a Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a Proposed Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A motion for reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Brown Act.

Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the committee's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker and for a maximum of 20 minutes, unless waived by the presiding officer of the board. In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5., non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board members in advance of a meeting may be viewed at El Sereno Senior Citizens Center, 4818 Klamath Place, LA, CA 90032 during the monthly General Board Meeting held the First Wednesday of each month. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Recording Secretary, Raymond Diaz, in writing. Agenda is posted for public review at the Barrio Action Youth & Family Center, 4927 Huntington Dr. LA CA 90032, and El Sereno Library 5226 Huntington Drive So., LA, CA 90032, El Sereno Recreation Center, 4721 Klamath St, LA, CA 90032, Rose Hill Recreation Center, 4530 Mercury Avenue, LA, CA 90032, El Sereno Senior Citizens Center, 4818 Klamath St. LA CA 90032. As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at (213) 485-1360 or NCSupport@lacity.org

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## **6** L.A. council panel delays vote on temporary mansionization measures Wed Feb 25, 2015 9:31 pm (PST) . Posted by:asncalert

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/california/la-me-0225-mansionization-hearing-20150225-story.html A Los Angeles City Council planning committee on Tuesday postponed a closely watched decision on a set of temporary ordinances intended to limit the construction of "McMansions" in 20 neighborhoods.

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By MARTHA GROVES

A Los Angeles City Council planning committee on Tuesday postponed a closely watched decision on a set of temporary ordinances intended to limit the construction of "McMansions" in 20 neighborhoods.

After hearing dozens of speakers pro and con, Councilmen Gilbert A. Cedillo and Mitchell Englander agreed to put off a vote on whether to recommend that the full council pass the so-called interim control ordinances. Panel Chairman Jose Huizar was absent.

Adrian Scott Fine, director of advocacy for the Los Angeles Conservancy, said it was unfortunate that the panel did not act on one proposed interim ordinance that, if approved by the council, would establish a moratorium on permits for demolitions and extensive renovations in five areas that expect to be designated as historic preservation overlay zones.

"The door is open" to more demolitions, he said. "We need to act fast."

City planners view the interim ordinances as a stopgap measure to rein in the wave of teardowns that many residents say is changing the character of single-family neighborhoods. Many builders and architects spoke against the proposed limits, saying they would impinge on property rights.

Tom Rothmann, senior city planner, said he expected that the panel would eventually vote to recommend passage of the ordinances.

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## 7 First & Spring Rivals take on Huizar over business interests, develo

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By DAVID ZAHNISER

Los Angeles City Councilman Jose Huizar wasn't satisfied with L.A.'s strategy for bringing in

At a hearing last summer, Huizar said the city's policy analysts should get "more creative" in their approach to subsidizing projects around the downtown convention center. The city, he said, should consider offering bigger hotels — those with more than 600 rooms — 100% of the bed taxes they generate, plus 35% of other new taxes that normally would flow to the budget.

"This economic upswing is going to pass us by soon," Huizar told his colleagues. "And we've got to just go as big as we can with these incentives as quick as we can."

Council members won't take up a hotel subsidy strategy until after the March 3 election, when voters decide whether to reelect Huizar to a third and final term. But his approach to real estate development, and special interests overall, has become a major target for his challengers.

Former County Supervisor Gloria Molina, one of four candidates challenging Huizar, called the push for bigger subsidies "a total giveaway" to private developers. On the campaign trail, she generally has portrayed Huizar as too accommodating to those who seek favor at City Hall: labor unions, business groups, billboard companies and others.

"The [city] budget is really controlled by a lot of special interests — everybody taking care of everybody else, except for the taxpayer," said Molina, who served 23 years on the county board.

Huizar, whose district stretches from downtown to Eagle Rock, said he hasn't gone easy on special interests. He called Molina's assertions an election-year gimmick and said endorsements from more than 200 high-profile district residents, as well as the Sierra Club, show that he meets the needs of his constituents. Molina, as a member of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority board, repeatedly pushed construction projects that antagonized district residents, Huizar said.

"She never goes out and asks for community input," he said.

In some recent instances, Huizar took steps to help companies facing city government resistance. He backed a \$39-million downtown hotel subsidy even after a high-level executive with the city convention center said the project would probably have been built without taxpayer help. The councilman also helped an apartment developer win approval of a pedestrian bridge — one aimed at helping tenants bypass the homeless — over the objections of the local planning commission.

Molina, for her part, has a reputation for being stubborn and even unpredictable, said Becky Dennison, co-director of a nonprofit group that fights for concessions from downtown developers on affordable housing and other issues.

"When she's on your side, she's fantastic because she doesn't budge. When she's not, it's terrible because she doesn't budge," said Dennison, who has been a critic of both candidates.

Over the last year, individuals and companies with business at City Hall have poured money into Huizar's reelection effort. Huizar has raised more than \$850,000, more than three times the total collected by Molina and two other challengers, social worker Nadine Diaz and community activist Mario Chavez. Independent groups, including businesses and the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, have spent another \$386,000 to help Huizar's reelection bid, money that is not covered by the city's campaign contribution limits.

Gary Toebben, who heads the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, said his group was channeling all of its campaign money this election year, approximately \$200,000, into efforts to reelect Huizar. Toebben said he was especially troubled by Molina's recent assertion that downtown has "too much density."

"[Huizar's] attitude about growth downtown, about the addition of more businesses and more residents, is exactly what Los Angeles needs," he said.

Huizar's opponents say that money is a sign the lawmaker is too willing to accommodate business interests. "Just ... look at the decision-making. He lines up for the large developers, who in turn kick back during the political campaigns," said Chavez, a former organizer with Service Employees International Union.

Huizar and his allies say there are many examples of the councilman standing up to business interests. Last fall, Huizar backed a higher minimum wage for workers at larger hotels, despite protests from the chamber and other groups. Several years ago, he successfully fought a plan to build a 24-unit subdivision in El Sereno, allowing the land to become open space. And throughout his tenure, he has fought efforts to complete the 710 Freeway extension from El Sereno to Pasadena.

El Sereno resident Joe Cano, a Huizar supporter, described the 710 project as the darling of consulting and construction companies who want lucrative public works contracts. Cano also said he doesn't trust Molina, who only recently announced she's dropped her support for a tunnel version of the project, due to cost.

"She's shown no support or concern as to how it would negatively impact the neighborhood," he said.

Molina says she now wants alternatives to the project examined.

During campaign appearances, she has cited her success in bringing parkland to downtown Los Angeles — part of a larger effort to bring residential and hotel towers to a site across from Walt Disney Concert Hall.

Nearly a decade ago, Molina wanted Related, developer of the Grand Avenue project, to provide \$50 million up front for a park, even if the city's effort to approve the project fell apart. Billionaire Eli Broad

voiced alarm over the demand and wanted Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to intervene, according to a 2006 memo written by a high-level Villaraigosa aide.

In the memo, then-Deputy Mayor Robert "Bud" Ovrom called Molina's request "totally unreasonable." But in the end, Related provided the money up front, even though its project was stalled by the recession, Ovrom said last week.

Grand Park, which stretches from City Hall to the Music Center, opened in 2012. Related also agreed to incorporate 90 units of affordable housing in the project, which is once again going through the approval process.

"She cared about the park and she cared about the affordable housing. And she won on both," Ovrom said.

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## 8 Developer plans to build around Eagle Rock barbershop

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February 25, 2015

By Nathan Solis

EAGLE ROCK — The rendering for a proposed 47-unit apartment building on Eagle Rock Boulevard show a white cube at the base of the four-story building. What is that? That little cube turns out to be the 500 square-foot home of Hubert's Barbershop, whose landlord has refused to sell to the developer. But the developer is not backing down either and is planning to wrap the apartment building around Hubert's.

The Eagle Rock Church of the Nazarene, which owns the land surrounding Hubert's, has agreed to sell the property to 1010 Development Corp., which has been planning the affordable housing complex for four years. Along with apartments, ranging from 3-bedroom to 1-bedroom units, the project would also include underground parking and a 2,150 square-foot community center off of Yosemite Drive. The developer had offered commercial space in the new building if the barbershop's landlord agreed to sell. But the landlord has not budged.

It's not clear if the owners of Hubert's are interested in moving into the new building. On a recent visit to Hubert's, the barbers declined to comment, saying only the shop had been around for 20 years.

According to developer Bob Buente of 1010 Development Corp., the project is at a decision point,but currently being revamped. Renderings showing the project are not finalized, but Buente says the exterior elevations and overall site plan at about 99 percent finalized. And, as The Boulevard Sentinel noticed, those renderings included Hubert's.

When asked why 1010 Development chose Eagle Rock, Buente explained that the location fits several points for their project.

"It has frequent transportation, great schools nearby and plenty of great businesses within walking distance."

Nathan Solis is a Highland Park resident who writes about and photographs the L.A. music scene. You can find more of Solis' stories, reviews and photos at Avenue Meander.

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